from the farmers on contract basis; Shri Ramachandra Khuntia -- Not present; Shri Balwant Singh Ramoowalia -- Not present; Shrimati Jayaprada Nahata -- Female face of AIDS; Shri W. Angou Singh -- Opening of regional office of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways for North-Eastern States at Imphal; Shri Rumandla Ramachandraiah -- Restoration of allocation under Poverty Alleviation Programme of Swaranajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojna in Andhra Pradesh; Shri Eduardo Faleiro -- Not present; Dr. M. N. Das -- Fifty years' demand for a 40 kms. Road from Jaleswar to Chandaneswar; Shri Khagen Das -- Growth in rubber plantation and industries in Tripura; Shri Gandhi Azad -- Reservation in Babasaheb Ambedkar University; Shri Rajeev Shukla -- Review of Government's decision not to send cricket team to Pakistan to participate in Asian Test Championship.

GOVERNMENT BILLS

THE TWO-MEMBER CONSTITUENCIES (ABOLITION) AND OTHER LAWS REPEAL BILL, 2001

श्री रवि शंकर प्रसाद (बिहार): माननीय उपसभाध्यक्ष जी, मुझे एक बात कहनी है कि लता मंगेशकर जी बहुत दिनों के बाद हाउस में आई हैं । उनसे एक आग्रह करना है कि वे हाउस में और आएं और अपनी उपस्थिति से हमें लाभान्वित करें ।

उपसभाध्यक्ष (श्री सुरेश पचौरी) : ये आपकी शुभकामनाएं हैं । वैसे सामान्यत: ऐसी बात बोली नहीं जाती लेकिन इससे आपकी सद्भावना इंगित होती है ।

संसदीय कार्य मंत्री तथा सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री और संचार मंत्री (श्री प्रमोद महाजन) : लता जी के बारे में बोला नहीं जाता, गाया जाता है ।

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): We shall now take up the Two-Member Constituencies (Abolition) and Other Laws Repeal Bill, 2001.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): Sir, I move:

> "That the Bill to repeal the Two-Member Constituencies (Abolition) Act, 1961 and certain other enactments, as passed by the Lok Sabha, be taken into consideration."

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): Now, since there are no speakers, I put the motion moved by the Minister to vote. The question is:

"That the Bill to repeal the Two-Member Constituencies (Abolition) Act, 1961 and certain other enactments, as passed by the Lok Sabha, be taken into consideration."

The motion was adopted.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): We shall now take up clause-by-clause consideration of the Bill.

Clause 2 and the Schedule were added to the Bill.

Clause 1, the Enacting Formula and the Title were added to the Bill.

SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO: Sir, I beg to move:

That the Bill be passed.

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

THE REGISTRATION AND OTHER RELATED LAWS (AMENDMENT) Bill, 2001

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): Sir, I beg to move:

"That the Bill further to amend the Registration Act, 1908, the Transfer of Property Act, 1882 and the Indian Stamp Act, 1899, as passed by the Lok Sabha, be taken into consideration."

Sir, this Bill has been considered, at length, by the Standing Committee. There are three-four different components of this Bill. The first is that it has been noticed at various levels, both by the Central Government and the State Governments, that a large number of property transactions relating to transfer of property are being conducted by such documents wherein, under agreements or in part performance of agreements, the possession of the property is handed over; and, across the country, barring a few States, the document does not require a registration. Because of the absence of the requirement of registration of those documents, it has been noticed that there is also a large scale evasion of stamp duty. Those documents become complete documents because the possessions are